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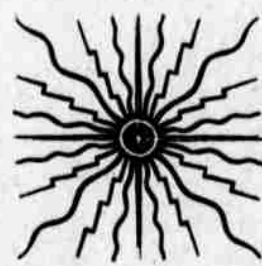
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RAINSBORO.

March 7, 1905.

Mrs. Copeland, of Latham, moved into the Stethem property Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carter spent Sunday the guests of his mother at Harper's Station.

Frank Spargur lost a horse one day last week, the result of a broken leg; supposed to have been kicked by another horse.

Burch Hixson and family were Sunday guests of J. B. Davis and family.

Mrs. Spargur and Kearns, of Bainbridge, visited friends in this vicinity Saturday.

Medicine show in town the past week. In the voting contest Miss Flossie Shipton received the gold watch and Helen Redkey the silverware.

Will Epperson, of Washington C. H., has been the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Epperson, south of town.

Sam Ferguson returned to Dayton after spending the winter with his sisters, Misses Emma and Mary Ferguson.

C. A. Beaver, wife and little daughter, Marguerite, were guests of the home folks Saturday night and Sunday.

William Browning spent several days the past week with his mother, Mrs. Lydia Browning, of Hillsboro, who has been suffering with la grippe.

J. H. Wood, of Greenfield, agent for the Page Fence Co., was a business visitor in this locality Thursday.

Rev. A. J. Kestle and J. A. Beaver were at Bainbridge Friday evening in attendance at an address by Rev. Gable, of Greenfield.

John Waddell moved into the Copeland property Thursday.

James Burnett, of Marshall, and Homer Garrett, of Bell, and Misses Flossie Ogle and Beatrice Davis attended an entertainment given by the Ladies' Aid Society, of Samantha, Friday evening.

Lewis and Walter Devitt have returned from a visit to Rev. and Mrs. Wright, at Circleville, and brother, Will, at Columbus.

O. N. Sams, of Hillsboro, spent Saturday night the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sams, of Lodore.

J. B. Gossett will offer at public sale at 10 o'clock, March 11, household and kitchen furniture.

Mrs. Samantha Hlatt, of Carmel, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. B. Spargur, Saturday evening. She had come to spend a few days with her daughters, Madames Spargur and Thoroman; was taken ill with pneumonia Sunday night and gradually grew worse until the end. Burial at Orythians today.

Second-hand piano for sale, very cheap. FRANK EMMERLING.

SAMANTHA.

March 6, 1905.

Miss Emma McKeehan, of Sinking Spring, spent Friday and Saturday as the guest of Miss Mary Stafford, and while here attended "Spinsters' Convention."

"The Spinsters' Convention" given by Ladies' Aid was largely attended, the hall being filled to its largest capacity. Aside from the loud applause given the old maids and home talents special mention is given to the beautiful solo, "Love's Golden Dream," by Miss Flossie Ogle, of Rainsboro; also "Bluebells," sang by Homer Garrett, of Belfast. Mr. Garrett's tenor, accompanied by Miss Ogle's cultivated soprano, won great applause. Mr. Garrett is certainly among first-class tenor singers and was greatly appreciated.

Miss Flossie Ogle spent last week with Ivalle Wilson.

"The Noble Outcast" will be given March 17 at the hall by home talent, assisted by Dr. Homer Brewer as "Jerry the Tramp," and Austin Borden as the villain, both of New Vienna.

On the evening of the entertainment the horse of Homer Garrett and James Burnett, of Belfast, ran into a buggy throwing occupants on the pike and tearing the shafts loose, ran through town and was caught in front of the hall. The boys were accompanied by Misses Flossie Ogle and Ivalle Wilson. They were not hurt seriously, Mr. Garrett sustaining a bad bruise on the face but was able to take part in the program.

Misses Mary, Clyde and Floy Hudson, of Centerfield, were the guests of Mary and Mabel Brown last week.

Miss Flossie McCray, of Centerfield, is the guest of Josephine Ridgeway.

Miss Nelle Bailey, of Bridges, spent the latter part of last week with the Misses Ridgeway.

MOWRYSTOWN.

March 6, 1905.

Harry Hodson is now a resident of our town. He and his family occupy the property formerly owned by Mrs. Cotterill.

James Rossett and Miss Stella Bennington, of Brown county, were visiting Ben. Rossett and family recently.

Carey A. Long, of Columbus, was among relatives and looking after business interests here last week.

D. Davis, who was seriously ill, is improved enough to be out again. A number have been sick with la grippe. Among the seriously sick are Chas. Whiting, whose condition is causing anxiety to his friends.

Miss Ida Diehl, of Hartwell, is visiting relatives here.

Oscar Miller is the new clerk for the Mowrystown Hardware Co., and Rob. Yochum's smiling face is now

behind the counters of Long Bros. store.

Some of our business men are to put up a kiln of brick this summer.

Quarterly meeting will be held at the U. B. Church March 10-12.

Mrs. Fred Parrott, after an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Cornet, at Broadwell, Athens county, has returned to her home here.

Frank Whiting, of Gath, is at the bedside of his sick father here.

Mrs. Lizzie Handishell, who has been quite sick, is improving.

There is now a vacancy for a good painter here. A good opening for the right party.

Robert Crawford, of Georgetown, was on our streets a few days ago.

Chas. McQuitty, a business man of Kima, was here last week.

Walter Haller, of Hamilton, was calling on home friends last Monday.

Campbell Badgley has purchased property in Blanchester, where he will soon move his family. His property here was bought by Carey Rhodon, who will become a resident of Mowrystown soon.

Fred High, humorist, dramatic entertainer and ventriloquist, was greeted with an interested audience at Town Hall Saturday night.

Ed. Turner expects to move to Winchester this week where he will be engaged in the meat business. He has been a business man of Mowrystown for some time and a valued citizen and with his family will be greatly missed.

Rev. Frank Foust is delivering good sermons in the Christian Church here the fourth Sunday of each month.

Miss Ina Druhot has gone to Butler, Indiana, where she will be located in a telegraph office.

Miss Lillian Crawford, teacher of the Ebenezer school, visited her parents at Georgetown Saturday.

Millie Stout, of Greenfield, visited his mother here recently.

Our public schools will close in two weeks.

The postoffice department has issued a valuable little book of postal information, which is now being distributed free of charge to the public. This book sets forth briefly and concisely the regulations relating to the registry system, the money order system, special delivery and parcels post. It also states very clearly the distinction between the different classes of mails, and the rates applying to each; also, the provisions relating to drop letters, postal cards, private mailing cards, etc. Postmaster Richards has received from the department a number of copies, which, in accordance with instructions, will be given out on request to patrons of the office.

Seed oats at the Union Grocery.

HIGHLAND.

March 6, 1905.

Married at the home of Rev. E. L. Knox, Wednesday, March 1, at 4 p. m. Thomas A. Johnson and Miss Levina McNeil, both of Fall Creek.

Everet Smith moved to the country Thursday.

Miss Sara Cohn delightfully entertained a large party with lunch Wednesday evening, March 1. About midnight a elaborate lunch was served.

O. B. Savage, of Wilmington has been a business visitor here for a few days this week.

Miss Bessie Smith spent Saturday at Hillsboro.

Miss Lucy Redkey, of Leesburg, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Redkey.

Miss Grace Hill started Monday morning to visit friends at South Charleston.

Chas. Stowe, was called to Warren county Friday by the serious illness of his father.

Dr. and Mrs. Ray Woodmansee, of Columbus, were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Woodmansee Sunday.

Miss Lola Denim returned here Saturday after a five weeks' visit with her parents near Folsom.

Miss Imogene Terrell left Monday morning for a few weeks' visit in Cincinnati and Columbus.

Miss Georgia Daily is spending a few days with Miss Grace Woodmansee.

Miss Mary Boatright attended the Golden Wedding of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Boatright, at Russell, Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Dickinson, of Chillicothe, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Emish a few days this week.

Geo. Dunlap was called to Marshall Saturday on account of the serious illness of his sister, Mrs. Aaron Kessler. Word was received later that she died this morning.

Mrs. James Grice and children visited Miss Lena Grice at Wilmington Wednesday and Thursday.

William Johnson, of near Memphis, moved his household goods this week to the house he lately purchased of Mas. Frances Thornburg.

Frank Johnson, of Fall Creek, has moved to the old homestead of Edward Thornburg, which he recently purchased of the administrators.

Rev. J. R. Hill left Monday morning for a few days' visit with relatives at Mt. Orab.

Miss Edna Woodmansee visited Miss Pauline Ayres Saturday.

Henry Fisher, aged about 44 years, who was a large land owner in Fayette county, bought the old Fisher home in Clinton county last week and while there at work Wednesday tore down an old log house, the roof fell upon him, crushing his head and causing instant death. He leaves a

wife, one son and several brothers and sisters.

O. B. Savage and W. R. Ballard, of Swanton, O., have formed a partnership and will open a dry goods store in the Savage building about April 1. Mr. Ballard has rented the property on College street of Mrs. J. Spargur and will move his family here soon.

Misses Myrtle Hatcher and Lucy Redkey have rented rooms of Miss Helen Smith and employed a trimmer and are preparing to open a millinery store in the near future.

List of letters remaining in post office March 1: Mrs. Gertrude Evans, Milton Hodson, Mrs. Harry West. Postal cards: Lula Reed, Headley Lumber Co.

SINKING SPRING.

March 6, 1905.

Miss Bertha Gillillian has returned to her home in Portsmouth, after a brief visit with friends here.

Mrs. Douglas entertained her sister, Mrs. Moss, of West Union, last week.

Mrs. Newton McKeehan spent Friday and Saturday with her sister, Mrs. Leadbetter, of Hillsboro.

Mrs. Johnson, of Portsmouth, was the guest of Mrs. S. A. McAdow last week.

D. Phillips was a business visitor in Hillsboro Saturday.

Miss Emma McKeehan was the guest of Samantha friends the latter part of last week.

Mills Murphy and wife were visitors in Hillsboro Wednesday.

Mrs. Ella Selzer, wife of Samuel Selzer, died at her home in this place Thursday, March 2, after an illness of two weeks. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Davis, of Rainsboro, O., Saturday at 2 o'clock. Those from a distance who attended her funeral were Mrs. Ashton Swinheim, E. Gall and Miss Beale Gall, of Portsmouth, and Mrs. Jos. Kendellspargur, of Greenfield.

Mrs. Eva Lowe is visiting friends in West Milton.

Under the title "Society in the United States," Mrs. Eliza Calvert Hall, writing in "The Twentieth Century Home" for March, tells with a sharp lance at certain ridiculous features which have grown up in our higher social construction. "In every town," she says, "there are bright, sweet, well-educated women who are ready to sacrifice health, comfort, domestic happiness, friendship, self-respect and sincerity in order to win a coveted position in a certain 'set.'"

And again: "There was a time when one's position in society was determined by her birth, and her breeding, and her social tact; but nowadays it is determined by her china-closet and her silver-drawer." The woman who makes society the aim of her existence will never know what real society is.

BUFORD.

March 6, 1905.

"Under the Laurels," a five-act drama, will be given by all home talent at the Opera House, Thursday and Friday nights, March 16 and 17. Come all and enjoy two hours of fun.

Mrs. Bert Pulliam and children, of Cincinnati, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Moberley.

Robert Colvin and wife, of Cincinnati, are visiting Mrs. Amanda Colvin.

Miss Daisy Scott, who is working in Mt. Orab, is at home on a visit.

W. H. Vance, Henry Weaver and John H. Bradley attended the H. C. T. A. at Lynchburg and reported a good time.

C. N. Kress, teacher in the public schools at Lynchburg, is at home on a few days visit.

Walter Reed and wife, of Mt. Orab, are visiting J. A. Mabin.

John Toll and wife were visiting their uncle, Levitt Earhart, at Williamsburg, one day last week.

PULSE.

March 6, 1905.

James Barker and wife, of Pricetown, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Margaret Sanderson spent Thursday with Mrs. J. H. Duvall.

Jacob Landess, of Pricetown, was a business caller here Saturday.

Miss Alma Chaney is the guest of relatives in Brown county.

Ova Roush, of Mt. Orab, spent several days last week with his uncle, Clint Roush, and family.

Mrs. Kate Hall was the guest of S. M. Taylor and family Friday.

J. H. Duvall and wife were Sunday guests of their son, A. C. Duvall, in Hamer township.

George Sanderson, wife and two children were the guests of John Pulse and family at Dodsonville recently.

Dora Brown returned home last week after spending some time in Indiana.

Special Low Rates to California and Pacific Coast Points.

Commencing March 1 and continuing daily to May 15 inclusive, the B. & O. will sell tickets to Pacific coast, Idaho, Montana and intermediate points, one way, second-class tourist at rate not to exceed \$40.05. Intermediate points in proportion. Inquire for particulars.

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RUSSELL.

March 6, 1905.

There will be services at the M. E. Church each evening this week except Saturday, conducted by Rev. Briggs. The third quarterly meeting of Lynchburg circuit will take place at Dodsonville Saturday and Sunday.

We are informed of the death of Robert Hatcher, who formerly resided here. He was a godly man and is no doubt safe in the presence of his Lord. His many friends here extend their sympathy to the bereaved family and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkin, of near Hoaglands, removed last week to their old home near here.

Phil. Stroup, of Hamilton, is visiting his folks here.

Mrs. Mattie Britton and grandson, Sheridan, were at Hillsboro last Saturday.

Steward Burton and family, of Willettsville, were visiting Frank Burton and family yesterday.

John Kessler removed to his home last week from the farm of Mrs. Rebecca Wilkin.

James Britton visited his parents here Wednesday.

Miss Eva Pulse, principal of the high school here, attended the lecture at Lynchburg Thursday night.

David Hayes took the train here last Tuesday for Cincinnati to buy goods.

Mabel Hodson, of Hillsboro, was visiting at her Uncle Frank Burton's Friday and Saturday. She was accompanied home by her cousin, Janie Burton, who will remain a few days for a visit.

Will Eakin is moving near Belfast, where he has purchased a farm. His friends here are sorry to lose such good neighbors.

The sale of John T. Chaney will take place March 15.

The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Boatright was celebrated at their residence Saturday. Rev. Briggs and family, of Lynchburg, Fredrick Roush and wife, Mrs. Mary Webb, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Strange and daughter, Elsa, of Greenfield, Miss Jennie Boatright, of Xenia, and Miss Mary, of Highland, as well as their immediate relatives here, were present to enjoy the dinner and the day with them. Some valuable presents were received.

The next meeting of the G. A. R. here will take place Saturday, March 18, at 1:30 p. m. All members should be present.

Richard Pence and family moved to Chillicothe, accompanied by Mr. Pence's mother, Mrs. Laura Pence, last Tuesday.

John Kessler spent Friday and Saturday at Cincinnati.

Typewriter ribbons for sale at this office.